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1. Fourth & Gill Offers ARToberfest This Saturday

The Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Association is staging the first annual ARToberfest, this Saturday, Oct. 18, from 4 to 10 p.m. at the corner of Morgan and Gratz streets in the neighborhood.

The festival will include art, crafts, food, a Biergarten (a traditional German beer garden), live music, and activities for the whole family. For more, visit <http://artoberfestknox.com/>.

If you would like for this newsletter to feature an event, project or program in your neighborhood, contact Debbie Sharp at 215-4382 or dsharp@cityofknoxville.org.

2. The Neighborhood Conference --- A Call for Volunteers

The Neighborhood Conference --- which drew 500 participants in 2013 --- once again is on the horizon, so please save the date: **Saturday, March 7, 2015.**

This is a fun-filled, information-packed gathering of people who care about the quality of life in the neighborhoods of Knoxville and Knox County --- including leaders and members of all types of neighborhood organizations, elected officials, city and county department staff members, law enforcement staff, and many dedicated volunteers.

The conference will include the Neighborhood Awards Luncheon as well as a brand-new feature --- a conference T-shirt.

Coordinated by the City of Knoxville's Office of Neighborhoods, this large conference cannot be successful without the advice and help of many volunteers.

If you wish to volunteer, visit https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Knox_Volunteer and fill out the short application. Those without Internet access should call Debbie Sharp, assistant neighborhood coordinator, at 215-4382 or dsharp@cityofknoxville.org.

Here are the volunteer opportunities:

Conference Day Logistics – register attendees, serve as workshop moderator or workshop greeter.

Conference T-Shirt -- coordinate art contest among high school students, and identify t-shirt vendors.

Door Prizes -- request door prizes, maintain donor list, coordinate pick-up, and manage drawing on conference day.

Information Booths -- identify & contact booth sponsors, manage set-up.

Neighborhood Photos -- solicit photos from neighborhood groups, prepare PowerPoint.

Neighborhood T-Shirt Contest -- promote competition among neighborhoods, select panel of celebrity judges.

Program -- brainstorm workshop topics, identify & invite speakers, help prepare program guide.

Publicity & Outreach -- promote the conference.

Sponsorships -- secure corporate sponsors, assist with sponsorship benefits.

If you have any suggestions, questions, comments, or general input about the 2015 Neighborhood Conference --- including topics that should be addressed in the workshops --- please contact Debbie Sharp at 215-4382 or dsharp@cityofknoxville.org.

The Neighborhood Conference is held in odd years, and the Neighborhood Awards Luncheon is held every year. See the [2013 conference program](#).

3. Public Meeting Tuesday to Air Community Needs, Challenges

The City of Knoxville's Community Development Department will conduct a public meeting next week to hear and record the views of Knoxville's citizens on needs and challenges across the city and in individual neighborhoods.

The meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at the John T. O'Connor Senior Center, 611 Winona Street.

In addition to this meeting, the city is asking city residents to take a short online survey located here: www.surveymonkey.com/s/knoxvilleplan.

Visita www.surveymonkey.com/s/knoxvilleplanespano a participar en la encuesta en español.

Community Development staff also is conducting focus groups with organizations and agencies working in affordable housing, senior services, health care and youth issues. Finally, the department has mounted efforts to reach out to a range of disadvantaged and minority communities.

This survey of community needs is a critical part of the City's Consolidated Plan, which

guides and sets priorities for the use of federal funds from Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), HOME Investment and other programs that are generally directed at low- to moderate-income groups and individuals.

The Community Development Department is now in the process of updating the Consolidated Plan. Questions and comments may also be submitted to Linda Rust at 865-215-2120 or lrust@cityofknoxville.org.

See www.cityofknoxville.org/development/currentdocs/5YearConPlan-2010-2015.pdf for the city's current Consolidated Plan for 2010-2015.

4. Comment on Urban Land Institute's Ideas for Downtown

At the request of the Rogero Administration, the [Urban Land Institute](http://www.urbanlandinstitute.org) was in Knoxville last week to offer their ideas and suggestions on how five key areas of downtown might be redeveloped or enhanced.

The five locations are World's Fair Park, the 400 and 500 blocks of West Jackson Avenue, the State Supreme Court site, the Knoxville Civic Coliseum and Auditorium, and the Henley Street corridor.

After an intense week of site visits and interviews, ULI officials presented their recommendations in a public forum last Friday. For a complete run-down of the assignment and supporting materials given to ULI, as well as the organization's preliminary recommendation, visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/urbanlandinstitute/>, where you can also find out how to provide your own views of the ULI recommendations.

5. Early Voting Has Begun

Early voting has begun for this fall's local, state and federal elections and ballot initiatives and will last through Thursday, Oct. 30, with Election Day slated for Tuesday, Nov. 4.

The ballot includes both state and federal offices, four proposed State Constitutional amendments, an election to fill the vacancy in Knox County School Board District 2, the Wine at Retail Food Stores Referendum, and City of Knoxville Charter Amendments regarding the City's pension system.

Mayor Madeline Rogero and the nine members of Knoxville City Council are urging Knoxville voters to approve the five proposed pension amendments to the City Charter. See <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/pension/> for an explanation of the amendments.

See also the [Knox County Election Commission](http://www.knoxcountyelectioncommission.org) --- which includes [a full sample ballot](#) and [early voting information](#). For a discussion of the four State Constitution amendments, listen to the WUOT series at <http://wuot.org/>.

6. Bike Walk Knoxville Hosts Ride with Elected Officials

Bike Walk Knoxville is hosting the "Third Annual Bike Ride with Elected Officials" starting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21. The greenway ride will begin at the Bike Zoo bicycle shop, 5020 Whittaker Drive in Bearden.

Mayor Madeline Rogero and several members of Knoxville City Council plan to participate in the bike ride.

Anyone can join the ride, which will be followed by a reception sponsored by Bike Zoo, Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, and Eagle Distributing. The event is a fundraiser benefitting Bike Walk Knoxville.

Additional Information can be found on [Facebook](#) and at the [Bike Zoo Website](#).

7. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232.

Visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/> for a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions. See the Community Events Calendar: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/events/events.pdf>

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scook@cityofknoxville.org no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Today through Thursday, October 30

Early voting period for Federal and State General Election, Constitutional Amendments, School Board District 2, Wine at Retail Food Stores Referendum and Charter Amendments regarding the City's pension system

For early voting locations and times, see:

<http://knoxcounty.org/election/2014elections/pdfs/schedule.pdf>

Knox County Election Commission

215-2480, <http://knoxcounty.org/election/>

Saturday, October 18 --- 10 a.m.

South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)

Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Ave.

Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Saturday, October 18 --- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

SturgeonFest

Seven Islands State Park, 2809 Kelly Lane, Kodak, TN 37764

Learn about reintroduction of sturgeon into Tennessee waters.

TVA, benefitting Tennessee Clean Water Network

Joshua Cunningham, Joshua@TCWN.org or 522-7007 x106

<http://www.TCWN.org>

Saturday, October 18 --- 1 p.m.

Burlington Residents Association

Burlington Branch Library, 4614 Asheville Highway

Kimberley Fowler, 524-7094, ccfp@comcast.net

Saturday, October 18 --- 4-10 p.m.

ARToberfest
Art, Crafts, Music, Beer Garden, Family Activities
Morgan & Gratz Streets, Fourth & Gill neighborhood
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
<http://artoberfestknox.com/>

Monday, October 20 --- 7 p.m.
Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association
(Third Mondays except June, July, December)
All are welcome to attend.
New Harvest Park, 4775 New Harvest Lane
Ronnie Collins, 637-9630

Monday, October 20 --- 7 p.m.
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)
"Birdhouse"/Fourth & Gill Center, 800 North Fourth Avenue
Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, lizupchurch1@gmail.com

Tuesday, October 21 --- 6 p.m.
Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays)
Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Dr.
Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Tuesday, October 21 --- 6:30 p.m.
Boright Area Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays, Even Months)
3004 Boright Drive
Lola Alapo, 525-1520, BorightGroup@gmail.com

Tuesday, October 21 --- 6:30 p.m.
Lonsdale United for Change (Third Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Ave.
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, October 21 --- 7 p.m.
Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays, except December)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail
<http://edgewoodpark.us/>

Thursday, October 23 --- 9 a.m.
Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, January-October)
"Meet with city services that may assist in planning your event."
Civic Coliseum Ballroom, Third Floor
Free Parking available at Civic Coliseum Parking Garage
Office of Special Events, 215-4248

Sunday, October 26 --- 1-5 p.m.
Parkridge Historic Homes Tour
Parkridge Community Organization
Susan Koelzer, 865-809-4190

Sunday, October 26 --- 2 p.m.
Historic Fort Sanders Neighborhood Association Homecoming
James Agee Park

(Rain out location: Laurel Theater)

Monday, October 27 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)

Knox County Commission

(Fourth Mondays, January-October. Third Mondays, November-December)

www.knoxcounty.org/commission

Agenda: Click on "Information" and then "Commission Agendas"

Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting

Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 28 --- 6 p.m.

Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip)

Community Meeting (Fourth Tuesdays)

Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Rd.

Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymahan@knology.net

Tuesday, October 28 --- 6:30 p.m.

Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)

Administration Building, Knoxville Zoo

Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Tuesday, October 28 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>

Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, October 30 --- 3:30 p.m.

Better Building Board

(Last Thursday, January-October. First Thursday, December)

Small Assembly Room, City-County Building

Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp>

Cheri Hollifield, 215-2119, chollifield@cityofknoxville.org

Friday, October 31 --- 9:30 a.m.

Public Officer Hearing – Neighborhood Codes Enforcement

(Usually held on the Friday following Better Building Board meetings)

The PO considers action on violations of city's building codes.

Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp>

Cheri Hollifield, 215-2119, chollifield@cityofknoxville.org

Monday, November 3 --- 4 p.m.

Love Towers Fellowship Association (First Mondays except holidays)

Love Towers Community Room; 1171 Armstrong St.

Tom Higen, 206-8908

Monday, November 3 --- 6:30 p.m.

Parkridge Community Organization (First Mondays except holidays)

Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.

Jerry Caldwell, 329-9943

Tuesday, November 4

ELECTION DAY

State General Election

Knox County Election Commission
215-2480, <http://knoxcounty.org/election/>

Tuesday, November 4 --- 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Norwood Neighborhood Watch – 6 p.m.

Norwood Homeowners Association – 7 p.m.

Monthly on a Tuesday: Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 16

New Hope Presbyterian Church, 1705 Merchants Road
Lynn Redmon, 688-3136

Wednesday, November 5 --- Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Meeting - 8 a.m.

East Towne Area Business & Professional Association (First Wednesday)

Neighborhood Residents and Leaders encouraged to attend

New Harvest Park Community Building

Chair, Justin Sterling, [<JSterling@simon.com>](mailto:JSterling@simon.com)

Monday, November 10 --- 1:30 p.m.

Montgomery Village Residents Association (Second Mondays)

4600 Joe Lewis Rd. #175

Ronnie Thompson, 604-6492

Monday, November 10 --- 3 p.m.

Northgate Resident Association (Second Mondays)

Social Hall, 4301 Whittle Springs Rd.

David Wildsmith, 219-0417

Monday, November 10 --- 5-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)

CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.

Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, November 10 --- 6 p.m.

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)

Magnolia Ave. Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia Ave. (Harrison St. Entrance)

Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, November 10

Fountain City Town Hall (Second Mondays)

Board Meetings: 6 p.m. Monthly

General Membership Meetings: 7 p.m., February, April, September, November

Church of the Good Shepherd, 5337 Jacksboro Pike

Daniel Dunn, 387-6390, daniel.dunn06@yahoo.com

Monday, November 10 --- 6 p.m.

Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays)

Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprankle Ave.

Mary Brewster, 454-2390

Monday, November 10 --- 6 p.m.

Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)

South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Old Maryville Pike

Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, November 10 --- 6:30 p.m.

Community Potluck

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays)

Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Ave.

Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, lizupchurch1@gmail.com

Monday, November 10 --- 6:30 p.m.

Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)

St. James Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway

Andie Ray, 548-5221

Monday, November 10 --- 7 p.m.

Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)

City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Ave.

www.bellemorris.com

Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Monday, November 10 --- 7 p.m.

Town Hall East

(Second Mondays in September, November, January, March and May)

Fellowship Hall, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 409 Asheville Highway

Tuesday, November 11 --- 11:45 a.m.

Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission

(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)

Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, November 11 --- 2 p.m.

Western Heights Resident Association (Second Tuesdays)

Building to the right of the mail boxes when you enter Western Heights

Jamesena Nolan, 237-5558

Tuesday, October 11 --- 6 p.m.

Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)

Hoitt Ave. Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Ave.

Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Wednesday, November 12 --- 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Food Policy Council

(Second Wednesdays but check website for confirmation)

Knox County Health Department, 140 Dameron Avenue

www.knoxfood.org; info@knoxfood.org

Wednesday, November 12 --- 11:30 a.m.

Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)

Bearden Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Road

Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, November 12 --- 4:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Advisory Council, City of Knoxville

(Second Wednesdays except December)

CAC / L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Ave.

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>

David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, November 13 --- 1:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)

<http://www.knoxmpc.org>

Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Thursday, November 13 --- 6 p.m.

Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays)

Community Building, 1956 Goins Dr.

Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, November 13 --- 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Greenwood Heights Neighborhood Watch (Second Thursdays)

Corner of Buttercup Circle and Sundrop Dr.

Alice Wershing, awershing@aol.com

Thursday, November 13 --- 7-8 p.m.

Colonial Village Neighborhood Association (Second Thursdays)

South Knoxville Church of God, 5623 Magazine Road

Terry Caruthers, 579-5702, t_caruthers@hotmail.com

Friday, November 14 --- 6 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)

Community Room, Solid Waste Transfer Station, 1033 Elm St.

Natasha Murphy, 936-0139

Monday, November 17 --- 7 p.m.

West Hills Community Association (Third Mondays)

Executive Committee: January, March, April, July, August, September, November, December

General Meeting: February, May and October

First Church of the Nazarene, 538 Vanosdale Rd.

Ashley Williams, 313-0282

Thursday, November 20 --- Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Meeting - 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)

Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders

Meeting location varies

Doug Minter, Dminter@knoxvillechamber.com, Knoxville Chamber, 637-4550

<http://www.eastknox.org/>

Thursday, November 20 --- 8:30 a.m.

Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp>

Kaye Graybeal, 215-3795, kaye.graybeal@knoxmpc.org

Thursday, November 20 --- 12 p.m.

KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays, except July)

Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay St.

See www.kub.org. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

Thursday, November 20 --- 4 p.m.

City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays)

Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp>

Thursday, November 20 --- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association (Third Thursdays)

Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Ave. at Henegar St.

Bill Hutton, 773-5228, s_wlhutton@yahoo.com

Thursday, November 20 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group

(Third Thursdays, February-November)

South Knoxville Elementary school library

Gary Deitsch, 573-7355, garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net

Monday, November 24 --- 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association

Bi-Monthly Meeting (Fourth Mondays, odd months, except holidays)

Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike

Shelley Conklin, 686-6789

Thursday, December 4 --- 5:30 p.m.

Workshop, Knoxville City Council

Topic: Salary Survey of Municipal Employees

Large Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, December 9 --- 4-5 p.m.

City of Knoxville Greenways Commission

(2nd Tuesdays every two months -- October 14, December 9

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/greenways.asp>

Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Lori Goerlich, Parks & Recreation Dept., 215-2807

Sunday, December 14 --- 2 p.m.

Historic Sutherland Heights Neighborhood Association

(Second Sundays, even-numbered months)

Marble City Baptist Church, 2740 Sutherland Avenue

Marlene Taylor, 951-3773, taylor8246@bellsouth.net

Tuesday, January 13 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association

(Second Tuesday, First Month of Each Quarter)

Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College St.

Rev. Dr. John A. Butler, 617-2603, johnanthonybutler@gmail.com

Saturday, March 7, 2015 --- 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

The Neighborhood Conference

Workshops, Awards, Information Booths, Networking

Knoxville Convention Center

Office of Neighborhoods

David Massey, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org, 215-3232

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